## NO BASEBALL VERDICT ON TICKET SCANDAL

National Commission Fails to Get Evidence Against New York Club.

INVESTIGATION STILL OPEN

Owners, Managers and Players Gather in Force for the Major League Meetings To-day.

### Owner of Cubs Makes Grave Charge

Clincles Webb Murphy, owner of the Chicago club in the National League, was in his happiest vein yesterday, and made public the following typewritten state-ment, just to show his love for Byron Bancroft Johnson, president of the Amer-

fean League:
"I am for Ban Johnson, even if Mr. Carnegic did leave him out of his recent list of the world's greatest twenty men. Mr. Johnson has been running our league through others for quite a long time withancial remuneration, and it seems to me that it would be an act of wisdom to elect him-and I hope to have the pleasure of placing his name in nomination

"A man who, never having played pro-fessional baseball, can descant knowingly on the relative strength of clubs and players in such a convincing way, must have great capacity. A fellow who can originate and be at the head of syndicate baseball. and then hand out resolutions against it, at least shows versatility."

Where is the famous world's series ticket scandal? Where are Byron Bancroft Johnson's charges against the New York Base ball Club? Where is the trunk that dis James Building in the dead of night? Great Fullback Re-elected as Some Followers of Boxing Now Where is the evidence which a voice from

While owners, managers, players, baseball writers and "fans" thronged in serried ranks the corridors of the Waldorfawaiting long promised thrills, the National Commission, in solemn conclave, pendered the subject. After hours of weary when the watchers had been led to expect the worst, the commission calmly adjourned and announced that for the present there was "nothing doing" Like the snows of yesteryear, so has the great scandal been dissipated. The general opinion seemed to be that the entire question was doomed to an early grave and that the most of the all-Eastern teams, but was interment would take place as quickly and overlooked by Walter Camp on his allwith as little noise as possible

The commission, consisting of Thomas J. president of the National League; League, and August Herrmann, president tion which will be forwarded to the board wow shortly before noon, and a proclamadently expected every minute thereafter, said in addressing the squad-The matter was discussed pro and con-

p his assertion that speculators had a has shared in the defeats."

limited drafts and purchase of players, in- be beyond a peace treaty. Dooin led the cluding a shorter drafting season and the reporters aside and said: question of increase in fines. The changes "I am prepared to offer Fogel \$25,000 for They include an increase to \$2,500 for draft- morrow, but I am willing to bet that he ing players from the AA leagues, and so will not accept it."

down to \$500 in the Class D leagues. gambling or selling of pools on baseball him to manage the Boston Terriers, for grounds. It was decided to notify the which they were negotiating. Dooin said grounds. It was decided to notify the shield her would be in if his release was not forthin their power to prevent gambling or pool- would be in if his release was not forthselling on the grounds of any club in the coming, as Fogel apparently does not want

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## Eastern League Takes to Itself a Broader Name Six-Day Bicycle Riders Steadily

Mr. Barrow Reelected Presi- ager, John Ganzell: J. J. McCaffery, prest dent for a Term of Five Years.

ball Clubs was renamed yesterday at the Lillis, president of the Jersey City club nnual meeting of the organization, at Joe McGhmity, part owner and manager of the Victoria Hotel in this city. As fore- the Newark club, and George L. Solomon cast in The Tribune a few days ago, it who has just purchased an interest in the will be known hereafter as the International League. After twenty years the name | Concord, harmony and perfect agreement was changed to indicate more clearly its marked the transactions of the meetingterritorial scope and to satisfy the demands. In spite of reports that the league was on

drifted away. A unanimous vote was re- J. J. MacCafferty, of Toronto. It was voted corded for the man who has worked so to begin the playing season on April 18 and

It was reported that Charles F. Chapin, formally awarded to Rochester president of the Rochester club, was bitter-ly opposed to Mr. Barrow on account of which came up before the meeting was the was called to order, and not a whisper was two years. raised against rewarding Barrow for the James J. Lillis, who acquired control of services which he rendered during his first the club early last season, brought charges year's administration. The incumbent of against Ryan. The affair was compromised the office did not ask for a long term, and vesterday when it was voted that the Jerone year only as a sufficient commendation \$3,500 and his freedom. of his record, but the owners were desirous of putting themselves even more strongly tional Commission and ask that the major

dent, and Joseph Kelly, manager of the Teronto club; S. Lichtenheim, president and James McCafferty, manager, of the Montreal club; James Dunn, manager and owner of the Baltimore club; Jake Stein The Eastern League of Professional Base- president of the Buffalo club; James

Toronto and Montreal, the Canadian the rocks there was no indication of impending disaster yesterday.

standing when it re-elected Edward Grant pored of J. J. Stein, of Buffulo; George L. Barrow president for a term of five years. Solomon, of Newsrk; C. J. Lavin, of Proviopposition to the aggressive leader dence; Sam Lichtenbelm, of Montreal, and hard to get a new and higher classifica- to close it on September 29. The champion ship pennant for the season of 1911 was

troubles which arose in the post-season case of Jack Ryan against the Jersey City series of games, but the two men were seen club. Ryan signed a three-year contract to in friendly conversation before the meeting manage the Skeeters and had served only

ted willing to accept a re-election for sey City club give Ryan a year's salary of

on record in his favor, and as a result the league clubs be compelled to get waivers ng term was decided upon, at a salary of from Class AA clubs before releasing their

## PENN. STICKS TO MERCERIA RIVAL FOR

## Captain of Football Team.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.-E. LeRoy Mercer, one of the best athletes who ever represented the University of Pennsylvania, was today re-elected captain of the football team for the season of 1912. His choice was one ball squad, and his selection was a reward for the services he has given Pennsylvania. one of the best performers on the track and on the gridiron.

Mercer is ranked by most football critics as one of the greatest fullbacks in the his-American eleven.

The Pennsylvania football team made an unprecedented move this afternoon when every member of the squad signed a peti-Captain Mercer started the petition. He pounds in the ring.

come to a head any time within the next the rest was green. We are going to have turn match. cade or the next day or two.

a great team next year, and I believe
lan Johnson had facts and figures to back Smith should share in the victories as he

Cayanagh, Little Rock, Ark.; James H.
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N. L. C'Neill and D. M. Shively, Chicago, and J. C. Ewing, San Francisco.
The commission approved the plan of the board for classification under the AA rating, limited drafts and purchase of players, inlimited drafts and purchase of players, inleague, and charles of the hotel were form all over crowded with baseball men from all over the hotel were form all over the bout at the Fordon Athletic Club, of Grand street, last night. Dundee boxed one of the prettlest contests seen at the club in the Philadelphia club in the National League, and Charles Dooin, manager last and gamely, had somewhat the better of the disagreement between them appears to be beyond a peace treaty. Dooin led the

will now be submitted to the American and my immediate and unconditional release. National leagues to-day for ratification, and I can furnish a certified check to-

Dooin said that two Boston men, whose The commission took a stand against names he did not care to disclose, wanted cities where they are in control, and to him as manager. Fogel made no announce-

In this connection, it was said that John Dovey and Hugh McBreen were bidding for possession or control of the Boston Na-tionals, but whether these were the two men who wanted Dooin's services was not disclosed.

Joe Lake, formerly manager of the Boson Terriers, will manage the St. Louis Americans next year, was another report. Mrs. Helen Hathaway ritton, the woman magnate" of the St. Louis Cardinals, was among those at the hotel. Mrs. Britton is a baseball "fan" of the stanchest haracter. She will be the first woman the has ever attended a big league meetng. She said that she was here "for the interests of her club." When Stanley Robi-son died Mrs. Britton became the virtual owner of the Cardinals, the majority of the club's stock having been bequeathed to her. Mrs. Britton stated that she would be "heard from" when the owners meet today. "I'm going to show St. Louis 'fans,' she said, "that a woman can run a base-

The league also broke a custom of long A board of directors was elected, com-

\$7,500 a year.

The various clubs were represented by the following men: Charles F. Chapin. owner of the Rochester club, and his man-

Point to Jimmy Gardner. The Mike Gibbons question will not down. storm, and those who have seen him are certain that he is the greatest man in the world within ten pounds of his weight. Many there are, however, who are firm in

of the most popular ever made by a foot- the belief that Jimmy Gardner, the welterweight of Lowell, is the man who can beat him. Gardner, according to his manager, not only this year, but in 1910, when he was has defeated Frank Klaus. Billy Kane, a boxing critic, has written to The Tribune declaring that Gardner is a wonder. Another boxing "fan" said yesterday: 'In order to clear the welterweight situation once and for all, it would be a matter worthy of the consideration of some club

romoter to have Mike Gibbons meet the 'Dixie Kid." who has the best right to the isputed welterweight title through his defeat of Joe Walcott out in San Francisco. He is a clever, capable boxer, who has a good punch, and when right is a match for Cincinnati Reds, began its pow- of directors requesting that "Andy" Smith the best. 'Dixie' is a legitimate welterbe retained as head coach for the 1912 team. weight, and can fight at his best at 142 Willie Lewis, while he admits that Gib-

Smith has been a faithful coach. He bons is a great man, is sure that he can con"—for several hours, and then has been a great coach under conditions beat him in a long bout. It is the intention the commission adjourned, subject to the that were anything but favorable. Half of the Parisian idol to fight all the welter-call of the chair, so that the affeir can the team has been crippled all year and weights, and then force Gibbons into a re-

Brooklyn lightweight, in a ten-round bout at the Carlyle Athletic Club last night. The men fought hard at all times. Dohan Bedell arose to his feet and lasted the round out by clinching.

Joe Cotser, the Brooklyn featherweight, outpointed Willie Jones, of South Brooklyn, in a ten-round bout at the Irving Athletic he also ripped home a right uppercut. innovation. ment of his views on the situation, but it Jones directed his blows at Coster's body, may come out when the National League and at close quarters forced the later to retreat. The contestants were inclined to hug each other considerably, which marred to hug each other considerably, which marred the bout somewhat.

### VIERTEL DEFEATS LEVY.

William Viertel, 110, easily defeated Sylvester Levy, 135, in the handleap 18.2 balkline amateur tournament at Paul's Riverside Agademy last night. The score was 110 to 71. Viertel played in good form, while his opponent faced much ill fortune, the ivories not rolling well. The winner averaged 3 2-36, with two high runs of 19. Levy's best efforts were 20 and 11, with an average of 21-35.

### GIANTS WIN ANOTHER.

Havana, Dec. 11.-The New York Glants defeated the Havana team here to-day by a score of 10 to 2. It was the sixth straight victory of the visitors, the record standing seven won and two lost.

SUNDAY'S NEW-YORK TRIBUNE Mailed anywhere in the United States for \$2.50 a year.

Losing Ground in Race.

FEW SPRINTS FOR CROWD

Brocco Stirs Galleries to Cheers, but Fails to Gain a Lap on the Field.

### Score at 1 o'Clock in Six Day Race

	Miles.	Laps.
Lorenz-Saldow	536	3
Georget-Stroceo		8
Lapize-Van Houweert		3
Lramer-Moran		3
Fogler-Clark		3
front-Hill		3
Palmer-Wells		3
Pye-Collins		3
Halstend-Drobach		3
Bedell-Bedell		3
Cameron-Magin		3
De Mara-Lawrence		3
Thomas-Siein		- 2
Galvin-Wiley		2
The record for the twenty-		our is
541 miles and 5 laps, made		
Stol in 1910.		
Roan and Cavanough dres	pped o	ut at

Falling slowly behind the record, the fifteen teams in the annual international six-day race entered the second day of the grind this morning, while six thousand persons looked on with interest. At the twenty-third hour the men were almost six laps established by Drobach and Collins their energies, and the spurts were few and far between. The crowd in the meanwhile, or lack of other things to do, sang

12:45 o'clock.

ongs and whietled. The men are strong, and for the most part in good condition, but the "twenty-'our-hour fatigue" has affected a few-Jimmy Moran, the veteran of presious aces, complained of pains in the stomach this afternoon, and in the early hours of the night Kramer, his partner, did greater part of the riding. Moran's train ers are not worried over his condition and declare that he will be all right at the fin The St. Paul man has taken New York by ish. The smoke laden atmosphere has had a bad effect on the eyes of some of the riders, and George Wiley wore a pair of "Pediar" Palmer, of the Australian-New Zealand team, declared doemin' air was 'orrible

The crowd wearied of watching the riders circle the track at a slow pace, and when Brocco, or "Knocko," as the crowd soon dubbed him, came on the track, the boys in the gallery hailed him with gice and called for a sprint. The field watched him closely, and for some time the Italian trailed the pack. Not for long, however, Rounding the west turn Brocco rode high on the bank and jumped his field,

The rest pursued him closely, Kramer and Lorenz leading the bunch. The merry pace continued, and Frank Cavanaugh was unable to follow. He dropped further and further back, but Brocco let up in his career and Cavanaugh was saved. For two laps the riders plugged slowly, recovering and once more the pace became safe and

One accident was caused by the evoltement attending an attempt by Moran to jump the the rest was green. We are going to have a great team next year, and I believe the security of the securities as he has shared in the defeats."

The selection of the coach will be the Irish-American Athletic Club this evening. There will be twenty boats of the light of stairs on the 2th duty of the new football committee, which duty of the new football committee, wh

### BALTUSROL GOLFERS OUT scored a knockdown in the final round. Forty Players Put Stamp of Approval on Winter Fixtures.

More than forty members of the Baltusro Golf Club turned out for the week-end com petitions which began there on Saturday Considering the fact that the course was opponent with an effective left jab, while officials feel justified in having started the

ian won, finishing 5 down. Grady also scored 8 points in the Arctic Cup contest. J. R. Shannon, with 95-16-79, carned 2 points, and H. E. Cornwell 1 point, with a card of 94-13-81. In the selected score competition for the

Snowbirds Cup J. S. Woodward, 2d, showed the way with a 74. He also led in the "Birdles" competition, getting ringers at the tenth and fifteenth holes. His selected card read as follows:

The leading scores in the qualification round for the president's cup were as fol-

C. B. Grady.
J. R. Shannon
H. C. Cornwell
L. W. Callan
J. H. Eggers
D. W. Granbery.
F. E. Walker
Wallace Sinchalr 16 18 5 15 7

FALL BEHIND THE RECORD NEW MANAGER OF NEW YORK YANKEES



Who was signed to succeed Hal Chase by Frank Farrell, owner of the Yankees, at 10:30 o'clock last night.

## Wolverton Signs Contract to Manage Yankees

### Frank Farrell Closes Johnson, president of the American League Deal for Successor to Hal Chase.

York Yankees next year as successor to The new manager is by no means un-Hal Chase, who resigned two or three known in the East. He made a name for Doyle's Academy, on West 42d street, and

was interested in the transaction and smoothed the way whereby the transfer was accomplished without much difficulty. The prospects of the Yankees for next season take on a brighter hue with a man of Harry Wolverton will manage the New Wolverton's reputation at the helm.

weeks ago. He signed a contract with himself as a third baseman of sterling the three cushion style of game being very popular it attracted a big crowd. De Oro evening, after getting his release from the ago. He finally jumped to the Tristate was in fine form although he started of Oakland club of the Pacific Coast League, League and helped Williamsport win the to which he was under contract as man- pennant in 1908. When peace was declared ager for another year. The deal had been with that outlaw league, Wolverton was brewing for some time and was closed last night to the satisfaction of Cal Ewing, who represented the Oakland Club.

Welverton has had considerable success in managing the Coast team, and his expectation of Cast team, which is signed by Frank Farrell to manage the first object ball out of the way and curving two object ball out of the way and curving two object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way and curving the first object ball out of the way an their wind, when Palmer hit it up and perience as a player and manager has been verton, after breaking his arm, resigned gained about thirty yards before he was wide. He has the executive force and abil- and went West. For the last two years he discovered. The field soon overhauled him, ity to handle men, which was lacking in has acted as manager of the Oakland club Hal Chase. It is needless to say that Frank
Farrell was elated over obtaining Wolverton. It is generally understood that Ban

H. P. Whitney Donates Prince Makes Clean Sweep in Series Hamburg to Squadron C.

with Passaic Bowlers.

## CHAMPION MEETS DEFEAT

George Clark Beats White In Billiard Tourney.

FINE EXECUTION IS SEEN

Spectators Held Spellbound by Brilliant Playing of Victor in Final Innings.

George P. B. Clark defeated Charles E. White, the Class B amateur champion, last night in the twentieth game of the annual championship tournament for the 182 balk. line title in that class. The final score was 200 points to 286, making the tightest kind of a finish which held the crowd spellbound about the table in Maurice Daly's academy. Clark not only defeated the champion, but he also hung up the high record average of the tournament, as he completed his string with figures of 8 20-25, and his best runs were 62, 25 and 27. White's average was only a shade less, as his figure was \$14-34, with high runs of 31, 26 and 23.

As a result of this match there is the possibility of a three cornered tie for the championship title in the event of C. D. Conway losing the final match of the tournament series to-night to White. In such an event White, Conway and Clark will each have lost one game and have won five. From the beginning of the game last night Clark was in better stroke than the champion. He also gauged the speed of the table with a greater degree of certainty. Putting together a pretty cluster of 35 on his fifth turn at the table, he led at 60 to 18. But White came on boldly and took the lead in the twelfth inning.

Then it was a see-saw as Clark worked out a splendld run of 62 as the result of his twenty-second turn. His draw shots, follows and several brilliantly executed masse shots caused this inning to be most attractive. White tried to overhaul Clark. but the latter came up to the table for his final effort and counted three of the most difficult shots of the evening at draws and ushions to end his string. The summary follows:

### DE ORO TAKES THE LEAD Goes Ahead of Daly in Three-Cushion Billiard Match.

Alfred De Oro, champion at three cushon billiards, took a lead of ten points in the first night's play of his match with John Daly. These two are playing at poorly. In his fifty-first inning De Oro made a

wonderful force follow shot, driving the

welverton has had considerable success in managing the Coast team, and his experience as a player and manager has been wide. He has the executive force and ability to handle men, which was lacking in Hal Chase. It is needless to say that Frank Farrell was elated over obtaining Wolverton. It is generally understood that Ban BREEDING BUREAU'S GIFT NEW YORK KEEPS THE PACE

New York of the Oakland club with success. Although he has won no pennants, he has kept the club in the first division each year.

New York KEEPS THE PACE

The game will be continued to-night.

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